# Paris Nymphs on the Ice Field.

The Skating Girl Is a Prominent Feature of the Gay Capital Just Now.

Charming They Look in Their Warm Suits, as They Troop Toward

THEY CARRY THEIR SKATES IN BAGS.

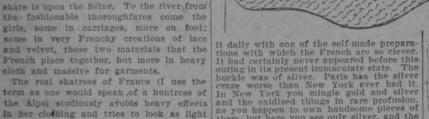
Rough Cloth Suits, Padded at Shoulders and Hips, Are the Favorite Wear, and Little Toques and Beavers Are Popular.

Paris, Jan. 4.—The prettiest place to kate is upon the Seine. To the river from the fashionable thoroughfares come the girls, some in carriages, more on foot; some in very Frenchy creations of lace and velvet, those two materials that the

The real skatress of France (I use the term as one would speak of a huntress of I the Alps) studiously avoids heavy effects a in her clothing and tries to look as light

ularly rapid. Afterward I recognized her as one I had seen coming down the House Terrace that morning, en route no girls doubt for the "skating field," as the little French tell us their skating pond, literally

This very capable skater was dressed ink. The skirt was a full one, made around the hips and flaring at the







Three American Girls in Paris. Drawn in Paris by Miss Caroline Goodwin.)

Gold Bricks from Spain,

Where the Gentle Art of Bunco Steering Becomes a Science.

Clever Swindlers Mulct Both Americans and Englishmen.

Regularly Organized Syndicate Revives Ancient Confidence Games.

NEW YORKERS FAVORITE VICTIMS.

Hundreds of Persons Here and Abroad Bite at the Gilded Hook-Attrac-

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has actually advanced money is content
to say nothing about it, and so it is impossible to calculate how many people are
taken in in this way each year.
All of these swindles have been lately
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These Tombstones bast Foreveur.

A Kittanning (Pa.) Man Has Introduced a Novelty in His Town's Cemetery.

Much More Durable Than Stone, He Says, and Practically Indestructible.

CHEAP, HANDSOME AND UNPATENTED.

An Inch Thick and Etched with Sand, This Monument Is a Curiosity for All the Country Round.

In the little graveyard at Kittanning, on the Alleghery River, forty-five miles from Pittsburg, there stands a tombstone which is perhaps the only one of its kind in the United States, if not in the world. More properly speaking, it is a tombglass, as it polished plate. The unique monument is pointed out to strangers as the greatest curiosity of the town. Kittanning people say they have changed the style in grave markers.

To Matthias Pepper, the assistant superintendent of the Pittsburg Plate Glass Works, at Ford City, near Kittanning, belongs the honor of being the first to put up a tombglass. He is a wideawake mechanic, and after his mother died he conceived the idea of erecting to her memory a monument of plate glass.

Several months ago the company had a

large order for plate glass of unusual thickness. It was made for the construc-tion of circular panes to cover the port-holes of ocean steamships. The practical to go indestructibility of glass was the quality which suggested to Mr. Pepper its use in the cemetery. He says that marble and [The Argonaut.]
An old friend of Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes granite, which are supposed to be almost took a few friends to call upon him.

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It had never read any of Dr. Holmes's books, and insisted upon her friend a "coaching" her a like the in advance. "I told her about his works, therefore," said the lady, "dwelling especially upon the "Autocrat of he Breakhast Table" as being, perhaps, the most famous of them." Everything went swimmingly till just as the company was taking leave. Then the "young merical worman" broke out in a preity burst of cantausiasm: "Oh, Dr. Holmes, I must tell you how much I have enjoyed your books, and particularly the "Autograph of the Breakhast Table." Her friend and sponsor was ready to drop through the floor. But her alarm was needless. Holmes smiled in his kindest manner, expressed his thanks and remarked that many people thought the "Autograph" the best thing he had ever done.

The Pepper monument is of plate ginss one inch thick, a foot and a half wide and glass. Wind and rain, heat and cold have



The Everlasting Glass Tombstone. (Sketched by a Journal staff artist.)

## Reproachful Politeness.

Gay Life in Carneas.

[St. Louis Globe-Democrat.]
Caracas has many interesting places.

four feet high. It stands in a mortise eut into a cube of sandstone. The top of The Frenchman's politeness sometimes serves the glass is arched. The lettering on it is